# QUARTERLY REPORT



CITY OF SUNNYVALE

SPRING 2008

# FIRM HIRED TO RECRUIT NEW CITY MANAGER

### MOFFETT AIRFIELD MEETING

NASA will hold a community outreach meeting to discuss Moffett Airfield operations and other local issues.

Thursday, April 10, at 7 p.m. in City Council Chambers and KSUN-15. Watch for details on our Web site at www.sunnyvale.ca.gov.

he City of Sunnyvale, at the direction of the Sunnyvale City Council, has hired executive recruitment firm William Avery & Associates to lead the search for a new city manager, following Amy Chan's announcement in December that she plans to retire.

While the City does most of its recruitment in-house through the Human Resources Department, the task of replacing the city manager presents unique challenges.

The Sunnyvale City Charter establishes a Council / Manager form of government, in which the city manager is equivalent to

a company's CEO, charged with putting Council-established policy into practice. The city manager is also responsible for overseeing the City's nearly 1,000 employees, and is one of only two City employees, along with the city attorney, hired directly by Council.

Filling a vacancy at a top executive level requires a significant amount of outreach, actively approaching potential candidates and encouraging their participation. Also, due to the large number of retirements of public sector executives in recent years, the applicant pool of potential city managers continues to shrink. In addition, Sunnyvale will be competing with at least three other Bay Area cities – Palo Alto, Concord and Redwood City – which are also searching for new city managers.

When the City needs to recruit executives, such as department directors, city attorney or city manager, they turn to executive recruitment firms, which maintain databases of potential applicants and have the skills and expertise to do the needed outreach. The City has used executive recruitment firms for a variety of positions, including public safety director, library director, human resources director,

parks and recreation director, information technology director, community development director, and the Council-appointed position of city attorney.

With direction from Council, and under the oversight of Human Resources Director Erwin Young, William Avery & Associates will develop a profile of the city manager position, prepare recruitment marketing materials, assess, screen and interview candidates, and assist with creating the compensation and employment package. This process is estimated to take approximately 16-20 weeks. Current City Manager Amy Chan has agreed to remain with the City for the duration of the recruitment process.

Chan has served the City in various executive positions including director of finance, assistant city manager, interim director of parks and recreation, and currently as city manager. She has enjoyed a long string of successes as city manager, including stabilizing the long-term financial condition of the City; re-establishing credibility between Council, staff and the community; improving the City's labor relations; and completing the first community vision of the City's General Plan. ©

# MAYOR'S OPEN OFFICE HOURS A SUCCESS

### Avoid long waits by making an appointment

The mayor's announcement of open office hours for the public has been met with a resounding success. So successful in fact, that an appointment is now recommended prior to dropping by to speak with the mayor. In order to avoid possibly long waits, an appointment may be made by calling (408) 730-7473, TDD (408) 730-7501.

Sunnyvale City Councilmembers and mayors have recognized both the importance and, sometimes, the difficulty of involving the community in government. The mayor's creation of open office hours is a move to make the mayor more accessible to every resident of Sunnyvale and to provide everyone an opportunity to air their opinions, concerns and thoughts about the City of Sunnyvale.

The mayor's open office hours are Mondays, except holidays, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The mayor's office is located in City Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave., and is served by VTA Lines 54 and 22.

# Earth Day 2008

arth Day, April 22, is a great time to learn how to make healthy choices for the local community and our Earth.
As always, Sunnyvale will offer a mix of events for residents, businesses and schools to honor Earth Day.

Earth Week events for the community will include educational workshops at the Sunnyvale Library, the Farmers' Market and other events such as birding tours at the landfill. It's a great time to use public transportation, bike or even walk.

To wrap up the Earth Day celebrations, a community event will be held at the in conjunction with the Farmers' Market on Murphy Ave. on Saturday, April 26. Look for the full schedule on line at www. sunnyvalerecycles.org.

You can also find tips on little things that you can do to make a difference in our quality of life and the health of our environment at <a href="https://www.newdream.org">www.newdream.org</a>. •

See Earth Day Calendar on page 13.



and vice mayor, the Sunnyvale City Council has selected new seating assignments for Council meetings. From the audience's left to right, the new seating order is:

- Councilmember Christopher R. Moylan
- Councilmember John Howe
- Councilmember Otto Lee
- Mayor Anthony (Tony) Spitaleri
- Vice Mayor Melinda Hamliton
- Councilmember Ron Swegles
- Councilmember David Whittum





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# Study Issues Priority Ranking and Calendar

he City of Sunnyvale's study issue process assists City Council with setting priorities for the coming calendar year. Study issues are issues proposed for future study that have been generated by Council, boards and commissions or City staff.

In their Study Issues/Budget
Issues Workshop in January, Council
made decisions on whether to drop,
defer or rank each of the proposed
study issues. Based on these
rankings and available department
resources, the Tentative Council

Meeting Agenda Calendar was prepared for 2008. The priorities list shows the ranking given by Council to each new issue. Each department was asked to establish a cutoff point where new issues receiving a lower priority would not be addressed in 2008 due to workload demands and other factors. Those items falling "below the line" are considered deferred and will automatically be brought back to Council for consideration at the Study Issues Workshop in January of 2009. The dates for "above the line" study issues are scheduled on

the 2008 Tentative Council Meeting Agenda Calendar and shown in the table below.

Work on the studies will commence in the order in which they are ranked. However, since some studies require fewer staff hours (and/or require less time to process) they will not be completed in the order in which they are ranked.

For more information on the study issues process, please visit *StudyIssues.inSunnyvale.com*. •

### **New Above-the-Line Study Issues**

(by department in order of final presentation to Council)

Department	Final Council Date	Council Rank	Number	Title
Office of the City Manager	June 10	1	OCM-05	Review Study Issue Process
	October 14	2	OCM-03	Consider Transitioning the Child Care Advisory Board to a Staff-Advisory Committee
	November 18	3	OCM-01	Explore Development of a Human Rights/Relations Board or Commission Advisory to Council
Community Development	August 19	1	CDD-29	Determine the enforceability of CC&R's for violations to City Code and project approvals
	October 28	5	CDD-45	A More Aggressive Approach to Code Enforcement
	October 28	8	CDD-48	Parking Requirements for Medical Office Buildings
	November 18	3	CDD-06	Business Identification on Ground Signs (CDD-03 merged into this issue)
	December 2	7	CDD-18	Lawrence Station Transit Village
	December 16	6	CDD-47	Encouraging Solar Businesses to Locate in Sunnyvale
	October 28	4	CDD-30	General Fund Support of CDBG funded Public Services
	June 1	2	CDD-11	Preparation of Peery Park Specific Plan
Finance	October 21	3	FIN-3	Clean Air Vehicle Sales Tax Rebate Study
	August 12	1	FIN-1	Expenditure of Public Funds for Bottled Water
	September 23	2	FIN-2	RFP Review by Council Prior to Issuance
Human Resources	June 24	1	HRD-01	Consideration of Policy to Require all City Employees Funded by Grants to be Designated as Temporary/ Contractual
Libraries	November 25	1	LIB-01	Exploration of a Branch Library in Sunnyvale (Originally Submitted as: Branch Library in Central/North Sunnyvale)
Parks & Recreation	October 7	1	DPR-06	Consider impacts of providing Sunnyvale resident discounts to City recreation programs for active duty military and their families
Public Safety	April 29	1	DPS-01	Exemptions for Special Event Parking
	June 24	2	DPS-04	Municipal Code Revision – Chapter 5.36 Taxicabs
Public Works	April 22	1	DPW 05	Metering of water service to individual mobile homes in a private mobile home park, apartments in an apartment complex, individual condominium units, and other multi- family applications
	August 19	3	DPW 08	Policy Supporting Connections to Regional Bike Facilities
	December 2	2	DPW 20	Kaiser Hospital Access Study
	December 9	4	DPW 06	Zero Waste Policy

# Library Study and Budget Issues

# New Technology, Elimination of Reserve Fee and Branch Library

t the annual Study and Budget Issues workshop held in January, City Council voted for the Library to explore three issues this year. As part of the Library's budget proposal, staff will perform a cost/benefit analysis to implement a radio frequency identification (RFID) system to automate materials handling. Some libraries use RFID systems to automatically check out and check in materials, which in particular, speeds up the process of checking in materials and getting them returned to the shelves faster. Such a system would be very helpful in Sunnyvale to process the high volume of materials checked out.

The Library also will look at the possibility of eliminating the 50-cent fee to reserve materials. These two budget issues were put forward by the Board of Library Trustees for Council consideration and have been approved only for study, as part of the budget process.

City Council also requested the study of a branch library for Sunnyvale in a leased facility. While the Sunnyvale Library of the Future Study and Strategy explored the construction of a joint library with Columbia Middle School, City Council has agreed to this new study with the stipulation that all areas of Sunnyvale be reviewed for potential lease space for a branch library, rather than constructing

a new building. The Sunnyvale Library of the Future Study and Strategy provides a framework to determine the optimal size, staffing, location and budget considerations for Sunnyvale's library buildings. This information will be used in examining branch library possibilities; and Library staff will seek community feedback through our Web site and a community forum scheduled for Thursday, May 29 at 6:30 p.m. Please sign up for the Library's e-mail alerts at www. sunnyvalelibrary.org to participate and stay informed on the progress of these issues, or call the Library at (408) 730-7314, TDD (408) 730-7501 for more information. ۞

# Choice Collect – What's Happening in Garbage Collection

n December 2006, Sunnyvale City Council approved changes in the rate structure for garbage collection that will more closely tie garbage charges to the volume of garbage collected, provide greater convenience to rate payers and greater protection of the environment.

Watch for updates this summer on:

- Rate structure details after approved by Council
- Guidelines for the new on-call collection of bulky items
- Selecting a new garbage cart size More detailed information will also be available in the summer versions of the *Quarterly Report* and

Sunnyvale ReNews and by June 30 at www.sunnyvalerecycles.org

For more information, contact the City's Solid Waste Program at (408) 730-7508, TDD (408) 730-7501. ©

# CITY SKILLS – FREE COMMUNITY CLASSES

Created as a partnership between the City of Sunnyvale and Silicon Valley Leadership, CitySkills is a community education program, teaching people who live and work in Sunnyvale how to effectively address issues with City government and take a leadership role in the community.

The next CitySkills class will be a mock city council meeting, designed to teach the processes of Council meetings through role-playing. Attendees will learn how agenda items are addressed, proper delivery of a message during the public comment period, as well as the roles of City Councilmembers and City staff during the meeting. This free class is an excellent opportunity for both adults and youth who would like to know more about our City government.

### Wednesday, April 23, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

City Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave. Presented by City of Sunnyvale Staff

The above class requires a minimum of 20 attendees to make it an effective learning experience. If you would like to register for this class, please contact Nathan Truitt, Community Outreach coordinator at (408) 730-7472 or ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us. More information about this and other CitySkills classes may be found online at CitySkills.inSunnyvale.com.

# DPS TO HOST FIRST OPEN HOUSE

On Saturday, April 26, the community is invited to an open house to see for themselves just what the Department of Public Safety does, and how they do it. This free and fun event will be held 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at DPS headquarters, 700 All America Way. Activities will include police and fire demonstrations, interactive booths and tours throughout the day. For more information, call the Crime Prevention Unit at (408) 730-7140, TDD (408) 730-7501.



# Access Exclusive Online Content with Your Library Card

unnyvale Public Library offers free access to dozens of online resources. Much of the content in these resources is exclusively for you as a library card holder and is not freely accessible elsewhere. All you need to get started is an Internet connection and a Sunnyvale Public Library card. Obtain a free Library card by applying online or at the Library.

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To access the Learning Express Library, go to the Library's Web page, www.sunnyvalelibrary.org and click on Research Online on the left side of the page. Then, scroll down the list of databases until you find Learning Express Library. Once you click on the link you will be asked to create your own account using your library card number. Follow the directions for using the tutorials and you're ready to go.

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### LIBRARY EVENTS CALENDAR

### **KIDS' PROGRAMS**

### Cuentos en Espanol

Saturday, April 26; May 17, 2 p.m. For all ages.

### **Family Story Time**

Saturday, April 5, 19; May 3, 17; June 7, 10:30 a.m. For all ages.

### **Lapsit for Babies**

Tuesday, April 8, 22; May 6, 20; June 3, 17, 11 a.m. Up to 1 year old.

### **Night Owl Story Time**

Thursday, April 3, 17; May 1, 15, 29, 7 p.m. For ages 3 - 8.

### **Preschool Story Time**

Thursday, April 24; May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; 11 a.m.

A program for 3, 4 and 5-year olds who can participate in group activity without a parent or caregiver. The parent or caregiver may remain in the room for the first day only. Required registration begins on Thursday, April 10.

#### Stories for 1's

Tuesday, April 1, 15, 29; May 13, 27; June 10, 24, 11 a.m. For 1 year olds.

### **Time for Tales**

Monday, April 7, 21; May 5, 19; June 2, 16, 30; 11 a.m. For ages 3 - 5.

### **Toddler Time**

Wednesday, April 2, 16, 30; May 14, 28; June 11, 25, 11 a.m.

Wednesday, April 9, 23; May 7, 21, 7 p.m. For ages 3 - 5.

### **KIDS' SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

### **Arbor Day Family Story Time**

Saturday, April 19, 10:30 a.m. Listen to stories, and then help plant a tree.

### Hooked on Nature: Plant a Seed -

**Grow a Reader** Monday, April 28, 7 p.m.

Diane Gordon is the Director of Hooked On Nature's early childhood workshops. She is an educator and children's advocate, with particular interest in nature, early childhood issues, parent education and family literacy. This program is for parents, preschool teachers and day care providers. Registration required. There will be a family program on Saturday, May 17 at 10:30 a.m.

### Peter Brizzi Puppet Show

Saturday, May 10, 11 a.m.

Puppetry is a great way to introduce children to the arts and for many children a live puppet show is their first introduction to theater. Join us for a presentation of Just So Stories.

### **Storyteller Janna Mitchell**

Saturday, April 12, 2 p.m. Enjoy stories told with a special dramatic style and lots of audience participation. For ages 5 & up.

#### **Summer Reading for** Kias and leens

Catch the Reading Bug. Sign up for the 2008 Summer Reading Program at the Children's Information Desk between Saturday, June 14 and Sunday, July 27. Catch the Reading Bug is for children age 3 through grade 5. Read 10 or more books and receive a paperback book. Children not yet reading may count books read to them. Select your free book prize at the library between Monday, July 28 and Sunday, August 31. Limit one free book per child. The Teen Summer Reading Program, Metamorphosis, follows the same dates as those listed above. Watch for the many special events at the Library during the summer months for children and teens.

### **TEEN PROGRAMS**

### **Film Discussion**

Tuesday, April 1; May 6; June 3, 7 p.m. Watch the movie and join us for refreshments and discussion. Check the Web site to find out which movie to watch.

### **Sudoku Day**

Tuesday, April 8

Learn Sudoku: 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

### **Sudoku Tournament**

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Everyone in 6th grade to adult is welcome to learn how to do Sudoku from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Then, there will be a Sudoku tournament from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. There will be four rounds, each harder than the last, and prizes for the winners. Competition is limited to teens from sixth to 12th grade, but everyone is welcome to come and cheer for their favorite Sudoku player. Competitors can sign up starting Saturday, March 15.

### **Yarn Days**

Monday, April 14, 28; May 5, 19; June 2, 16, 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. Learn to knit or crochet. Teens and interested adults are welcome to bring their yarn projects to the Library Program Room and have fun while working on them. If you want to learn how, bring some yarn. We'll supply the knitting needles or crochet hooks and teach you how.

### **ADULT CLASSES**

Adult classes in the Library are a great way to get a free introduction to the library and its resources, including how to use computers and the Internet, fast becoming one of life's necessities. Each class is one session, and meets in the Library Program Room unless otherwise noted.

#### **Basic Business Research**

Thursday, May 15, 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Learn how to find information on starting a small business, writing a business plan, finding company performance data, and performing competitive analysis. We will also cover resources for protecting and researching the intellectual property of a business.

### **Blogs & Blogging**

Thursday, April 3; Monday, June 23, 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Com hear practical ideas for launching your Web presence, learn about free tools to create a blog in minutes and how new technologies can help you reach the world with your message.

### **Extreme Googling**

Wednesday, April 9, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 4, 3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Learn how to get the most out of Google and improve searching efficiency.

### **Genealogy Databases**

Thursday, May 1, 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Learn about the Library's genealogy databases, Ancestry Library Edition and HeritageQuest online

### I Have an Idea, Now What?

Tuesday, April 22, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. How do you start to turn your great idea into reality? Find out about different kinds of intellectual property rights. How much does it cost and how long does it take to get a patent and trademark? Discover the free resources for researching your invention. Learn about steps you can take now

### **Searching the Internet**

Tuesday, May 13, 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Find the information you want in minutes. Learn effective search techniques, discuss search engines and indexes and discover great places to start your search

### **ADULT SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

### **Adult Summer Reading Program** 2008 "Book a Great Summer"

Sunday, June 1 - Sunday, August 31 The Library invites you to join our annual Adult Summer Reading Program. This year our theme will be "Book a Great Summer" and the program will take place from Sunday, June 1 to Sunday, August 31. To participate, you must be 16 years or older (younger readers should sign up for the Teen or Children's programs). You must have a current Sunnyvale Public Library card and must have at least one book read at the time you sign up. Sign-ups begin Sunday, June 1, and will end on Friday, August 1. Books can be fiction or nonfiction and in any language. Unabridged recorded books also qualify. The books you read are recorded on a log that you will receive when you sign up. After the first eight books are read, you will receive a free paperback book as your prize. Please stop at the Adult Reference Desk to sign up and receive your log. The last day to record titles is Sunday, August 31. Join us at the Library and "Book a Great Summer".

### **Cloth Diapering for Kids**

Wednesday, April 23, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. Presented by experienced diaper mom, Sara Quast. Make the art of diapering fun, easy and practical. Give your kids a great start with modernized and eco-friendly cloth diapering.

#### **Author Ron Hansen**

Thursday, May 22, 7 p.m. Ron Hansen, author of the Assassination of Jesse James by the Coward Robert Ford, Mariette in Ecstasy, Atticus and other popular novels. He was presented an Award in Literature from the American Academy and the Institute of Arts and Letters. He has taught fiction and screenwriting at Stanford, Cornell and other universities. Hansen is currently the Gerard Manley Hopkins S.J. Professor in the English Department at Santa Clara Unviersity. He will speak about Exiles, his newest work to be published in May 2008, and his other writings at this event.

### **Community Forum on** a Branch Library

Thursday, May 29, 6:30 p.m. At their budget and study session in January 2008, Council voted to study the question: Should the City of Sunnyvale operate a branch library? And if so, where should it be located? Learn about the branch library question and discuss with others in this community forum.

### **Community Input Session** on Reducing Waste

Wednesday, April 30, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. The City's Recycling/Solid Waste staff will be available to discuss the City's programs and policies related to recycling and solid waste management and gather resident feedback.

### **Eco-Friendly Homes**

Wednesday, April 23, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Presented by author, designer Jennifer Roberts. Hear about easy and not-so-easy ways to make your home eco-friendly. Learn how to use less energy, save money and reduce greenhouse emissions every day.

### **Elderhostel: Adventures** in Lifelong Learning

Thursday, April 24, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Learn about the "World is our Classroom" from Elderhostel Ambassadors, Jill and Larry Fine, in this free program. Elderhostel is the not-for profit leading travel and education organization for adults 55 and up. Thousands of programs are offered in more than 100 countries. The programs are known for their educational excellence, comfortable accommodations, and extraordinary value. A small sampling of the trips include "Tracing the Da Vinci Code in Paris, London and Edinburgh," "Food and Culture of Tuscany, Cradle of the Renaissance," "Bike Touring on old Route 66 in Arizona," and "New Zealand: Lord of the Rings Middle Earth Locations.' Also there are Intergenerational - Take the Grandkids Trips and Service Learning Trips.

### Friends of the Library Book Sale

Saturday, June 28, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Find terrific bargains on a wide variety of books, movies and music at the book sale sponsored by the Friends of the Library. The sale is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with members-only shopping beginning at 9 a.m. From 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., books may be purchased at \$4 per bag. All proceeds from the book sale benefit the Sunnyvale Public Library. The sale will be held at Raynor Center, 1500 Partridge Ave. in Sunnyvale.

### **Future Business Leaders Showcase**

Monday, May 19, 5 p.m.

Homestead High School Future Business Leaders of America members will present their nationally-recognized annual projects. Current projects range from restoring a local park, partnering with a Chinese import business, assisting middle school students, to analyzing the health care industry. The program will inform and inspire adults, teens, and older children.

### **League of Women Voters**

Wednesday, May 7, 7 p.m.

Get objective, nonpartisan explanations of the statewide propositions under consideration in the June 3, 2008 Statewide Direct Primary Election when the Cupertino-Sunnyvale chapter of the League of Women Voters presents a free program describing the propositions and answering your questions.

### **Mirror and Windows: Reflecting Our Heritage and Opening Up** to New Cultural Horizons

Thursday, May 8, 7 p.m.

Dr. Clara Chu, Associate Professor at the UCLA Department of Information Studies, and an affiliated faculty member at the UCLA Department of Asian American Studies, will

discuss retaining your own heritage while learning to appreciate other cultures, being an American, and interacting within a multi-ethnic community. Refreshments will be served.

### NASA's Phoenix/ **Messenger Update**

Tuesday, June 10, 7 p.m.

Eric Norris, NASA/JPL Solar System Ambassador, will present the latest information on NASA's Phoenix Mission to Mars and MESSENGER's recent flyby of Mercury, along with new information on other NASA interplanetary explorers. Eric's multimedia presentations at the Sunnyvale Library have always been a big draw and you won't want to miss this one.

### **National Library Week**

Sunday, April 13 – Saturday, April 19

### Kick-off Event: Sunday,

April 13, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Celebrate National Library Week with story times with local celebrities, balloons, personalized photo bookmarks, and more. Check the Library Web site for more detailed information.

### Sunnyvale Art Club Exhibition

Saturday, June 7, Noon - 6 p.m.

Sunday, June 8, Noon – 6 p.m.

The work of over 30 artists will be on display in a variety of media including oils, acrylics, watercolors and mixed media. The event is free and everyone is welcome.

### LITERATURE PROGRAMS

### **Monthly Book Group**

Thursday, April 17; May 15; June 19, 7 p.m. Enjoy the fellowship of readers as you share impressions of books selected by the group, discovering new viewpoints and deepening your reading experience. All are welcome. Thursday, April 17, 7 p.m.

### Animal, Vegetable, Mineral by Barbara Kingsolver

Kingsolver, usually know as a novelist, here recounts how she and her family live on homegrown or locally grown food. Accomplished gardeners, the Kingsolver clan grow a huge garden in Appalachia and spend summers "putting food by."

Thursday, May 15, 7 p.m.

### Freakonomics by Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner

A rogue economist explores the hidden side of everything. The author examines a variety of topics by combining microeconomics and statistics and often comes up with something "freaky." Thursday, June 19, 7 p.m.

### Crossing to Safety by **Wallace Stegner**

Tracing the interlocking lives, loves and aspirations of four lifelong friends who move between Vermont and Wisconsin. Stegner's 1987 masterpiece is a work of quiet majesty, deep compassion and powerful insight.

### **Read-Along Shakespeare**

Monday, April 7; May 5; June 2, 7 p.m. Gather with other fans of Shakespeare to read his works and gain new appreciation of these timeless masterpieces. All are welcome.

Richard III Monday, April 7, 7 p.m.

Henry VI, Pt. 3 Monday, May 5, 7 p.m.

Twelfth Night

Monday, June 2, 7 p.m.

# Groundhog Job Shadow Day

### Preparing Tomorrow's Workforce

n February 1, the City of Sunnyvale's Department of Employment Development (NOVA) co-sponsored the 11th annual Groundhog Job Shadow Day in partnership with Junior Achievement of Silicon Valley & Monterey Bay. This nationwide event was established by Junior

Photo: City of Sunnyvale



Greeting the Groundhogs: An energetic Garrett Kuramoto (Library encourages students to explore library careers.

# DONATE HOUSEHOLD ITEMS TO HANDS ON THE ARTS

Sunnyvale's annual Hands on the Arts children's art festival is looking for donations of recyclable items that children will use to make art projects. Among the supplies needed are:

- buttons
- beads and sequins
- men's neckties the wider and more garish, the better.
- children's magazines, calendars, cards, wrapping paper and other paper items with colorful, kid-friendly images
- cardboard tubes from inside rolls of toilet paper, paper towels and wrapping paper
- mailing tubes for posters or blueprints (5 6 inches in diameter)

Hands on the Arts will be held Saturday, May 17, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Community Center, 550 E. Remington Drive. You can donate items at either the Sunnyvale Senior Center or the Recreation Building on the Community Center campus. To inquire about donating items not listed here, or about volunteering at pre-event supply prep parties, please call Tegan McLane at (408) 730-7725.

To volunteer at the Hands on the Arts festival, please apply online at *Volunteering.inSunnyvale.com* 

Achievement to enable middle school and high school students to shadow employees at their places of work in order to provide youth with first-hand experience of the world of work.

This year, 2,200 students from 23 schools from throughout the region participated, including 20 from Fremont High School and 34 from the other four high schools in the Fremont district: Cupertino, Homestead, Lynbrook, and Monta Vista. These students shadowed employees from 172 local businesses, nonprofit organizations, and municipal governments, including the City of Sunnyvale and seven other Sunnyvale businesses.

The City of Sunnyvale has participated in this civic event since 2001. This year, hosts from a number of City departments served as mentors for the day, providing information and inspiration to participating youth and preparing them for future career choices in municipal government. The students were actively engaged in the day's activities and many came away with a better understanding of the importance of education in becoming job ready.

For those youth exploring Sunnyvale's city government, the day started with a brief orientation, where they learned about the various functions and typical services provided by the City, as well as common career opportunities in municipal government. The students spent the next several hours gaining first-hand knowledge of the inner workings of the City.

Maggie Morales, NOVA youth advisor, explained: "The students' experiences were all very unique, which provides a diverse example of what the City of Sunnyvale has to offer." Departments involved in this year's event included the Library, NOVA, Parks and Recreation, Public Safety and Public Works.

"It was a successful day in that the students all walked away with concrete ideas and information to share with other students," said Morales. "It was a great learning experience for everyone involved."

For more information about the event and how your company might participate in the future, please visit Junior Achievement online at *www.jascc.org* or contact NOVA staff at (408) 730-7640, TDD (408) 730-7501. ••

# The following Sunnyvale companies participated in Groundhog Job Shadow Day 2008

Arbor Vita Corporation
City of Sunnyvale
(multiple sites)
Rebecca B. Keller, D.D.S.
Lockheed Martin Space
Systems Company
Network Appliance
Professional Exhibits &
Graphics
Silicon Valley Eye Physicians
Toyota Sunnyvale

## HANDS ON THE ARTS RETURNS IN MAY

ands on the Arts returns for its 23rd year of celebrating Sunnyvale's diversity through visual and performing arts projects. This year, more than 1,000 Sunnyvale families will gather at the Community Center for a day of wonder, imagination and awe.

37 artists will conduct a variety of workshops for children ages three to 12. Projects this year will include:

- Silly snakes
- Sooji mosaics
- Henna tattoos

- Kite making
- Dragon boats
- Painting creepy critters with vegetables
- Crowns, wands, wings and things
- Día de los muertos masks

The cost to participate in the workshops is \$5 per child. There is a full food court as well as a stage featuring family entertainment all day, which is free to attend. Visit *HandsOnTheArts.inSunnyvale.com* for more information, or call (408) 730-7350. ©

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Each year, the Hands on the Arts event depends on more than 150 volunteers to help run the workshops. Volunteers may work half-day or full-day shifts. A collectable Hands on the Arts T-shirt is included for all volunteers, and full-day volunteers also get a free lunch. If you are interested in volunteering, please visit *Volunteering.inSunnyvale.com* or call (408) 730-7533.

# Sunnyvale Senior Center Trips

re you 50 and older and enjoy traveling? The Sunnyvale Senior Center Trip Program offers day and extended trips year-round. Members of the Senior Center receive a discount on trips, and non-members can try out our program by paying a small additional fee. If you are a senior traveler and would like to invite family to accompany you, we can work with you on accommodating your request.

All our day trips include free parking, round-trip transportation from the Senior Center, gratuities for the bus driver and two experienced escorts. Come by the Senior Center and pick up a free copy of our *Steppin' Out Messenger* newsletter that describes all the trips available each quarter.

We also offer extended trips (overnight or longer) to exciting destinations. Our extended trips not only include free parking and round-trip transportation from the Senior Center, but also include travel protection/interruption insurance, gratuities for all services (except for cruise lines), all transportation, most tours and meals, one or two experienced escorts and a tour director as required.

You owe it to yourself to give this program a try. We've had friends and family join us on trips from all over the U.S. Some of them meet us at our destination, and some travel to Sunnyvale to take advantage of our round-trip services. Whether you participate in a daylong trip, an overnight bus trip, a cruise or an extended trip of many nights, you'll have an opportunity to meet new friends, see some great sights and return home with wonderful memories.

Trip information is listed on the Web at Seniors.inSunnyvale.com, in the Senior Center's quarterly Steppin' Out Messenger newsletter and quarterly Activity Guide, as well as in flyers filled with details for each of our extended trips. If you are not currently receiving these publications, and would like to, contact the Sunnyvale Senior Center at (408) 730-7360, TDD (408) 730-7501.

### Pageant of the Masters

Tuesday, August 26 – Saturday, August 30

Our five-day, four-night trip to the Pageant of the Masters includes touring Richard Nixon's Presidential Library and Museum, the Terracotta Warriors on loan from China and on display at the Bower's Museum, the Sawdust Festival, Art-A-Faire, the Laguna Festival of the Arts, a Newport Harbor Cruise, Reagan Presidential Library and Museum, and the Getty Center. At the Reagan Library, there will be a special showing of "Nancy Reagan-A First Lady's Style" exhibit illustrating the role she played in the White House, plus an opportunity to board Air Force One. As always, the trip includes round-trip transfers from the Senior Center to the airport, all

airfare, meals and sightseeing as listed on the flyer, trip cancellation insurance and gratuities for services provided. Price is \$1,520 per person double occupancy, \$1,846 single. Deposit is \$200, with the balance due July 10 (prices are per person).

### San Juan Bautista, Monterey & Big Sur with Shirley Graham

September 2008

We are looking forward to offering this special overnight trip being put together by one of our favorite tour directors, Shirley Graham. Some of the highlights will be a guided tour of the San Juan Bautista Mission and a visit to the main plaza, where they will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the filming of the movie Vertigo. We'll have time for shopping and to browse this charming pueblo/town. Next we're off to Monterey, stopping at Colton Hall (site of the convention that led to California becoming the 31st state in the Union). This evening we'll have a narrated tour to learn about the Spanish lore of the old adobes and the ghosts that haunt

The next day we'll drive out to Point Lobos Reserve, and have a short walk with a local Ranger. Then we head to Big Sur, driving the beautiful famous stretch of Pacific Ocean coastline with stops along the way. Lunch will be at Nepenthe restaurant overlooking the awesome view of the Pacific Ocean and the Santa Lucia mountain range. On our return, we'll stop at the Lodge at Pfeiffer State Park for a short walk.

If you are interested in this trip please come in, or call (408) 730-7360, and add your name and phone number to the interest list. We will contact you once we have a flyer for this trip.

Our first destination is a two-night

stay at Niagara Falls for an area

### **American Heritage**

Thursday, October 16 – Saturday, October 25

tour including the Floral Clock and Horticultural Center, Niagara Lake and Welland Canal, a boat ride on the Maid of the Mist, and a dinner show, "Oh Canada Eh?." Then we depart through eastern New York for a two-night stay in historic Philadelphia, PA, where we'll see Independence Hall, the Liberty Bell, and the Constitution Interactive Center. The next day we'll visit the estate of President James Buchanan, Wheatland, then visit an Amish farm and house to learn about their faith, culture and way of life. We'll also enjoy a traditional Amish family style dinner.

The next

morning,

we'll visit Gettysburg National Military Park and overnight in Shenandoah Valley. The next day, we travel to Monticello, the home of President Thomas Jefferson, and then we're off to Williamsburg for a three-night stay. We'll visit historic Yorktown and tour the Yorktown Battlefield and Visitor's Center. We'll explore the 400-year-old settlement of Jamestown and learn about the first English settlement in the New World. The next day, we'll have time on our own to visit Colonial Williamsburg, a 173-acre living history museum with its visitor's center, 88 restored and reconstructed 18th Century buildings, and costumed townspeople and witness craftsmen demonstrations. This evening we'll have a traditional Colonial farewell dinner. The next morning we'll travel to Richmond through Virginia's capital and the Capital of the Confederacy as we make our way to Washington DC for our flight home.

This 10-day, 9-night trip includes: round-trip airport transfers from Sunnyvale Senior Center, airfare, hotel accommodations, tours & admissions per itinerary, comprehensive sightseeing, 14 meals (9 breakfasts, 5 dinners), a professional tour director, baggage handling, gratuities for services provided, and trip insurance.

Price is \$2,828 per person double occupancy, \$3,578 single occupancy. Deposit is \$300, with balance due July 26.

### **Palm Springs**

November 2008

We are looking forward to offering a four- or five-day trip to Palm Springs. Some of the highlights will be: the Palm Springs' Follies; the Village Fest featuring a variety of vendors displaying quality art and crafts, food, live entertainment and farmers selling their produce; an aerial tram ride ascending 8,514 feet offering an amazing view; a narrated tour to learn the history of Palm Springs, as well as a glimpse of some of the celebrity homes in the area; the Living Desert Zoo & Gardens; the Air Museum; a covered wagon tour with an expert naturalist guide, and BBQ buffet dinner with entertainment while viewing

shopping in El Paseo, the
"Rodeo Drive" of Palm
Springs.

If you are interested in this trip please come in, or call

panoramic views of the valley and

local mountains; and window

(408) 730-7360 and add your name and phone number to the interest list. We will contact you once we have a flyer for

this trip. 🗘

# DPS AND SPECIAL OLYMPICS

TIP-A-COP

Join us for breakfast, meet the athletes, learn about Special Olympics while Public Safety Officers assist Coco's wait staff with food service.

Thursday, April 17 7 a.m. – 10 a.m.

Coco's Restaurant 1206 Oakmead Parkway Sunnyvale Event information (408) 730-7199

## SUNNYVALE CAMP REGISTRATION BEGINS

he City of Sunnyvale
is offering a variety of
specialty camps with an
emphasis in sports, aquatics,
arts, drama, dance and
technology. Traditional day
camps are designed to encourage
physical activity, social interaction,
development of new skills and most

importantly, having fun with old and new friends. Program details are available in the April issue of the Sunnyvale Activity Guide, which is mailed to all Sunnyvale residents, and is available at the community center, Library and other locations. You can also register online for classes at *RecreationClasses*. *InSunnyvale.com*.

Venture Camps are a series of traditional day camps offered for eight weeks during the summer. L'il Ventures is for children ages 5 to 6, Jr. Ventures is for ages 7 to 9 and Super Ventures is for ages 9 to 11.

Weekly themed activities include arts, crafts, sports, games, nature crafts and more. The camps feature weekly swim days, special events and field trips to places like The Jungle, Raging Waters and Logitech Ice. Extended care options are available.

Science and Engineering

Kids who like
to be challenged
and like
computers,
technology
and science, will
appreciate the variety
of technology camps
offered this summer, like
the all new Spy Academy,
where young campers uncover
the science involved in evidence

gathering and analysis. Other

offerings include: Rockin' Rockets and Aerodynamics, Mad Machines and Robots, Chemistry Detectives, Young Builders with LEGO Bricks, Motorized Fun with LEGO Bricks, Robotics and Game Design, Game Design: Platform and Multi-Player Games, NXT Robotics and 3D Virtual World Designer

### **Sports**

Children interested in developing or refining athletic skills will have a wide variety of clinics and camps to choose from. Back by popular demand are the following camps; Skyhawks baseball, volleyball and multi-sport camps, junior golf camp, Little Tigers taekwondo, and other sports and aquatics camps. Other popular camps include soccer, lacrosse and basketball.

### **Volunteers Wanted**

Youth ages 13 to 18 are invited to join our Teen Volunteer Program and have the opportunity to work with younger children in our summer camps and our aquatics and theater programs. Candidates for the program must successfully complete an interview and training to participate.

Registration begins April 7. Early registration is encouraged as many of the programs reach maximum enrollment quickly. Register in person at the Community Center, 550 E. Remington Drive, or by phone at (408) 730-7341.

# New Arts Summer Camps Make Time, Imaginations Fly

o your kids run out of fun before they run out summer? Instead of listening to their chorus of complaints about being bored, inspire their imaginations with visual and performing arts camp at the Community Center. Sunnyvale Recreation is offering more creative opportunities than ever this summer.

New camps this year include a fanciful School for Faeries, Pirate Dance Camp, Around the World with Art and American Arts camp to celebrate Fourth of July week.

School for Faeries is a week-long mini-camp featuring song, poetry, crafts and role-playing, perfect for little girls with big imaginations and big girls who still enjoy make-believe. Part of this camp's special magic is that it teaches

older children, ages 11 to 14, to mentor younger ones, ages 5 to 10, and draw on the magic within themselves and spread beauty and kindness to others.

Pirate Dance Camp for ages 4 to 6, modeled after our Princess Dance Camps which have been so popular with young girls for past several summers, is just the thing to capture the imaginations of little boys (and girls, too.) who like the swash-buckling heroes and fierce villains, like those in the movie Pirates of the Caribbean. It combines pirate-themed music, dances, movement games and simple crafts in a one-hour mini-camp. Princess Dance Camps will also be offered for ages 4 to 8.

Around the World with Art, for ages 6 to 9, explores famous artistic masterpieces from around the

world, with hands-on exploration of different art media and techniques in a week-long, half-day camp.

American Arts Camp combines both performing and visual arts in a half-day program that introduces children ages 6 – 12 to four uniquely American art forms from different periods in our country's history and concludes with a patriotic family celebration to kick off the Fourth of July weekend. The original, international version of this camp, World Arts Camp, and end their camp with a family potluck, celebrating our multicultural community.

Other creative camp options include:

- Musical Theater Camp
- Advanced Musical Theater Camp;
- Visual Arts Camp
- Visual Arts Mini-Camp
- Cheerleading Dance Camp
- Hip Hop Dance Camp

For more information or to register for any of these camps, check out Sunnyvale Recreation's Summer Activity Guide, or visit us online at RecreationClasses. InSunnyvale.com. Or call (408) 730-7341, TDD (408) 730-7501.

For All City Services, TDD Access (408) 730-7501

# Note to Teens: Start Your Summer Job Search Now

lowers are blooming, the sun is shining, teens' thoughts turn to spring break and ... summer jobs. At least that's the message the NOVA Youth Employment Program wants to get out to local teenagers. Wait until June when school's out and you'll be out of luck.

# The early bird gets the job

Lots of opportunities exist, but it's up to youth to be proactive and start their search early. Youth between the ages of 14 and 24 can begin their search by heading to NOVA's Youth Employment Office here in Sunnyvale.

The program offers a job-search techniques workshop that provides information on completing job applications, interviewing and an introduction to workplace etiquette-the unwritten rules of appropriate workplace behavior. Teens learn which traits employers are looking for and what behaviors lessen the chances of getting hired. Youth are also shown how to use the online

Youth@Work system that matches current job listings with youths' skills and interests. There is no fee for these services.

### **Get Paid to Learn**

This year, a new program will be available for economically disadvantaged high school seniors and youth pursuing their GED who are interested in paid work experience opportunities. For six weeks this summer, eligible youth can participate in up to 200 hours of paid work experience. In addition to the on-the-job training component, youth will also receive personalized job-search and career-exploration assistance, as well as training in Microsoft Office and interpersonal or "soft" skills. Applications will be accepted from April 1 through May 30, but space is limited, so be sure to apply early if interested. Contact the youth office for eligibility requirements (contact information below).

### **Too Young For a Job?**

Teens aged 14 and 15 often struggle to find paid employment.

Working as a volunteer, therefore, can provide valuable work experience that will go a long way in helping the youth obtain paid positions once they turn 16. NOVA youth advisors can walk younger teens through a variety of websites that offer numerous summer opportunities. These include such jobs as office work, outdoor work, summer camps, assisting seniors, or providing animal care.

Several high schools also offer career fairs in the spring and NOVA often participates to ensure that students have access to these and other important services. In the past, NOVA has helped organize fairs, provided workshops during fairs and recruited local industry professionals to talk about their respective careers and educational requirements.

For more information on these and other services to youth, visit NOVA's Web site at www.novaworks. org/youth/ or contact the NOVA Youth Employment Program at (408) 730-7640. The office serves youth who live in Sunnyvale, Cupertino, Los Altos, Milpitas, Mountain View, Palo Alto and Santa Clara. •

### SAVE THE DATE

Global Sunnyvale

A Celebration of Cultures

Saturday, June 21 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Plaza del Sol

# Summer Teen Volunteer Program

unnyvale has an active teen volunteer program, focusing on a number of activities for the summer. TeenVolunteering. inSunnyvale.com is the place to start for information on the application processes and available opportunities. The Parks and Recreation Dept. Summer Teen Volunteer program provides teens

ages 13 -18 the opportunity to assist at various summer camps, aquatics and theater programs. Teens will have fun interacting with youth and will gain experience that will help them develop into strong leaders. Applicants will need to be fingerprinted, as per City policy, and are required to attend an interview and training session. Deadline for sign-ups is May 2. For further information on this program, contact



There are a limited number of volunteer opportunities for teens in other City departments during the summer. These spots fill up fast, so teens need to apply no later than May 23 if they are interested. For these opportunities, check out the information at TeenVolunteering. inSunnyvale.com or call the Volunteer Resources office, (408) 730-7533, TDD (408) 730-7501.

Teen volunteer opportunities through the City of Sunnyvale generally can be applied to community service credit hours required by schools, but it is best to confirm that with each specific school prior to applying. •

### SAVE THE DATE

2008 State Of The City

Saturday, September 13 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Redwood Square

## NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT PROGRAM

he City of Sunnyvale is now accepting applications for the Neighborhood Grant Program. The goal of the program is to fund neighborhood projects and events, which are planned and carried out by neighborhood associations, mobile home park residents' associations and neighborhood groups within Sunnyvale.

The program offers grants of up to \$1,000 per association or group, which must be applied for in advance and correspond to at least one of four categories:

- Increasing communication among neighbors
- Building bridges between cultural groups

- Improving the physical condition of the neighborhood
- Enhancing neighborhood pride and identity

Creative ideas for projects and events are encouraged. Examples of some grant fund uses are: start-up funds for neighborhood association newsletters or directories, clean-up and beautification activities, block parties, and cultural awareness events.

Although the program is open to all neighborhood groups, priority for approval is given to registered Sunnyvale neighborhood associations, mobile home park resident associations, and neighborhood groups currently applying to become a registered Sunnyvale neighborhood association.

Neighborhood Grant Program applications are currently being accepted for projects and events to be completed during the 2008/09 fiscal year (July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009). If your neighborhood association or neighborhood group is considering applying for a grant, applications will be accepted until Friday, May 16 at 5 p.m.

To download an application or get more information about the Neighborhood Grant Program, please visit Neighborhoods. inSunnyvale.com or contact Nathan Truitt, Community Outreach Coordinator at (408) 730-7472, TDD (408) 730-7501 or ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us. ©

### BLOCK PARTY KIT ONLINE

Warmer weather is quickly approaching, and the City has a resource for Sunnyvale neighbors who want to get outdoors, socialize and have some fun ... it's an online block party kit. Go to BlockParty.inSunnyvale.com for an easy-to-follow, step by step guide to organizing your neighborhood block party. The kit includes links to City forms for permits and street closures, and helpful tips to make sure your block party is a success. For more information about having a block party in your neighborhood, contact Nathan Truitt, Community Outreach Coordinator, at (408) 730-7472, ntruitt@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us.

# FOR YOUR HEALTH COMMUNITY EDUCATION SERIES

Camino Medical Group (CMG) and the City of Sunnyvale are offering a free lecture series featuring a wide variety of health-related, timely topics of interest to you and your family. Presentations are free and open to the public.

Matters of the Heart - On Wednesday, May 28, Jane Lombard, MD, board-certified in both internal medicine and cardiology, will present the topic of cardiovascular disease with a special emphasis on how this disease presents and is treated in women. The presentation has a strong focus on prevention. The lecture will be held from 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. at Sunnyvale City Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave. To reserve your seat, call (408) 523-3295 or visit www.caminomedical.org. Health presentations are also televised on KSUN-15. Please visit KSUN.inSunnyvale.com for the broadcast schedule.

## HEALTH & SAFETY FAIR

t's time once again for
Sunnyvale's annual celebration
of health, safety and wellness.
Bring the family to the
Columbia Neighborhood
Center located at 785 Morse
Ave. on Saturday, May 10, from
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the Health &
Safety Fair 2008. This fun, outdoor
event features health screenings,
entertainment, activities for the
kids and more. Admission and all
activities free to everyone.

### Saturday, May 10

Columbia Neighborhood Center 785 Morse Ave.

11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

There will be many exhibitors at this event providing health and safety related information to everyone. Children can play in the Soccer Tournament, take a helmet safety class, or bring their bikes in for minor repairs. We'll also have clowns, face-painters, child safety seat inspections and document shredding. This event will feature entertainment like the Perfection on Wheels Bike Stunt Team and much more.

If you are part of a health or safety related organization and would like to participate as a fair exhibitor, or for more information about the fair, visit *HealthandSafetyFair.inSunnyvale.* com or contact Karen Rivers at

(408) 523-8150 ext. 19. If you would like to volunteer for this event, contact the City's Volunteer Resources Office at (408) 730-7533 or visit *Volunteering.inSunnyvale.com.* ©

# PROTECT YOUR IDENTITY AND RECYCLE AT CITY SHREDDING EVENT

As part of the City's Health and Safety Fair, the City of Sunnyvale is sponsoring a paper-shredding event May 10, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bring your personal records and files and we'll shred them and recycle the paper for you at no cost. Free up space, eliminate security risks, and get rid of out-dated papers. Staples, rubber bands, folders, paper clips, etc. do not need to be removed before shredding. If you have questions, contact the Sunnyvale Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262, TDD (408) 730-7501.

## New Child Care Recognition Program

he City of Sunnyvale's Youth,
Family and Child Care
Resources Department is
pleased to announce a new
recognition activity in place
of the annual Award for
Excellence in Early Education. Youth,
Family and Child Care Resources
would like to thank and recognize
all child care providers and centers

for their hard work and dedication to educating young children in Sunnyvale.

April is Month of the Child. In celebration of this event, a certificate of recognition will be mailed to all Sunnyvale child care providers and Sunnyvale child care centers. This certificate underscores the importance of high-quality early education in children's social, emotional, cognitive and physical development, as well their commitment to serving children in the community.

If you have any questions about this new recognition activity, please contact Angela Chan at (408) 523-8150 ext. 11. •

# CHILD CARE WORKSHOP: LOSS, TRAUMA AND YOUNG CHILDREN

n partnership with the University of California Davis, Extension, the City of Sunnyvale's Youth, Family and Child Care Resources will host its third workshop on

# Loss, Trauma and Young Children

Saturday, June 21 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunnyvale Senior Center, Laurel Room This workshop will assist child care providers to address the emotional impact of loss and trauma on young children. Obtain information for increasing the physical safety of children in family child care and explore the provider's role in helping children cope with stressful events, such as divorce, separation and changing caregivers. Gain strategies to help children cope with grief.

This workshop is free, and academic credit is available through the University of California, Davis Extension. Space is limited, registration is required.

For more information or to register for this workshop, please contact (408) 523-8150 ext. 22, or visit our Web site at *ChildCare.inSunnyvale.com*. •

## Honoring the City's Volunteers

he City kicked off National Volunteer Month with a Hawaiian luau honoring our valuable volunteers. On Tuesday, April 1, we used the Hawaiian word for thank you - mahalo - as the theme for this annual event. All of the active City volunteers were invited to the reception in appreciation of their service. Forty-six people were recognized for volunteering five years or more with Sunnyvale, and nine of those received awards for 10 – 15 years of service. Board and commission members completing

their terms were also honored

In Sunnyvale, volunteers serve in a number of departments and roles. With almost 600 active volunteers on our roster this year, they can be found in Public Safety, Parks and Recreation, the Library, Office of the City Manager, Senior Center, Information Technology, Public Works and other departments in the City. Volunteers fill much needed roles by putting together information packets, helping clients learn computer programs, assisting seniors with lifelong learning activities, delivering mail, consulting on

marketing strategies, filing and other office work, supervising children's activities, tutoring youth and much more. During the last six months of 2007, volunteers provided almost 22,000 hours of service to the City.

It's easy to see why we give a big mahalo to our Sunnyvale volunteers.

If you are interested in Sunnyvale's volunteer program, there is information online at *Volunteering. inSunnyvale.com* or call the Volunteer Resources Office, (408) 730-7533 for more information.

### **ADULT SPORTS LEAGUES**

The City of Sunnyvale Parks and Recreation Department offers leagues in each of the sports below for teams interested in playing against other teams.

### Basketball: Ten week season + playoffs

Winter season: early January – late March Spring/Summer season: early April – late June Fall season: early September – early December

### Softball: Seven week season + playoffs

Spring season: late March – early June Summer season: mid-June – mid-August Fall seasons: early September – late October

### Volleyball: Eight week season + playoffs

Winter season: early January – early March Spring season: late March – early June Summer season: late June – late August Fall season: mid-September – mid-November

Registration is for teams only. Individuals can call to be placed on a waiting list for players looking to add on to another team. Contact (408) 730-7334 for registration information.

# Join Sunnyvale's Great American Litter Pick-up — Saturday, April 12

veryone wants to live
in a clean and healthy
environment, but fast food
wrappers, bottles and cans,
cigarette butts and other
auto debris litter the streets
of neighborhoods in our community.

Besides being unsightly, litter and trash affect California waterways. Litter can find its way into storm drains and pollute waterways and the environment. Untreated storm drain water laden with litter can flow into creeks and streams, and eventually into recreational areas such as the Bay and the ocean, impacting human activities and the well-being of organisms that live in the water as well.

# Help Clean Up Litter in Sunnyvale

Do your part to improve the environment by volunteering in the Great American Litter Pick-up, Saturday, April 12, to help clean up litter and debris from certain areas of Sunnyvale. Cleanup activities begin at 8:30 a.m. (beverages and snacks are provided) and end at 11 a.m. Approximately 40 volunteers are needed for the event. All youth

18 and under need supervision and transportation to get to cleanup sites. Gloves, pick-up sticks, safety vests, trash and recycling bags will be distributed, but volunteers are encouraged to bring their own gloves and pick-up sticks if they have them. Following a morning of litter pick-up, volunteers will be provided a light lunch. Registered participants will be assigned a check-in location at either Murphy Park or Columbia Neighborhood Center

and will receive instruction on the morning of the event.

To volunteer for the Great American Litter Pick-up, call Environmental Outreach at (408) 730-7717, TDD (408) 730-7501or e-mail wpcp@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us.

Sunnyvale's Great American Litter Pick-up is being held in cooperation with the Silicon Valley Anti Litter campaign, a collaborative effort for litter control in Santa Clara County.



# CELEBRATE EARTH DAY – CLEAN YOUR GARAGE

### Citywide Garage Sale Day, April 19

Sunnyvale Garage Sale Day is set for Saturday, April 19 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The annual Citywide garage sale began in 1992 in celebration of Earth Day. Since 1992, Sunnyvale's waste diversion rate has risen from 17 percent to 63 percent today.

Open to residents throughout Sunnyvale, individuals or groups may set up a garage sale at someone's home. Non-profit groups often use the citywide garage sale as an opportunity to raise funds for their organization. Neighbors may coordinate a block sale and draw more attention to their sale. The city will promote the sale day in various media outlets.

Online registration will be available at www.sunnyvalerecycles.org between March 14 and April 4. Tips for holding a garage sale can be found at the same site. A map of garage sale listings will also be available online on Wednesday, April 16.

For more information or to register offline, please contact the Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262, TDD at (408) 730-7501.



## CERTIFIED GREEN!

ongratulations to the following Sunnyvale organizations that are certified "Green Businesses":

- All Laser Services
- Cumberland Elementary School
- Environmental and Occupational Risk Management (EORM)
- Equinix
- Fabric Banners
- For Other Living Things
- Glyph Guy
- Juniper Networks
- Labcyte, Inc.
- Pine Cone Lumber
- Sports Basement
- Sunnyvale Ford
- Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church
- Toyota Sunnyvale
- Ultimodule
- Vander-Bend

# City of Sunnyvale Facilities

- Columbia Neighborhood Center
- Community Center
- Corp Yard
- City Hall, South Annex, Annex
- Library
- Senior Center

**Bold** = Certified Since April 2007

What do these certified Green Businesses have in common? They value our environment as well as their bottom line. By preventing pollution, recycling, switching to energy-efficient equipment and lighting, and conserving water, these Sunnyvale businesses, schools and City facilities are helping to protect our natural resources and save money.

Sunnyvale's Green Businesses certified since April 2007 will be recognized at the City Council meeting on April 22.

Visit *greenbiz.sccgov.org* or call (408) 282-3169 for a list of certified green businesses in Santa Clara County and more information on the program. Shop locally, and let these Green Businesses know that you appreciate their efforts! •

# WATER POLLUTION SOLUTION PROBLEM 19 NO DUMPING!!



he recent oil spill in the San Francisco Bay received a lot of media attention. But you may be surprised to learn that the number one source of water pollution in California isn't large industrial accidents, but common urban runoff. It flows from streets and highways, lawns, gardens and driveways - just about anywhere there is human activity - into California waters. Both actions have produced the same result. The pollution in San Francisco Bay will threaten aquatic, bird and wildlife for years to come.

When it rains, the water picks up and carries pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, automotive fluids and other contaminants into storm drains where it flows without treatment directly to creeks and San Francisco Bay. The polluted runoff produces a ripple effect of damage that ultimately can hurt fish, wildlife, and humans.

Water pollution can also come from dumping illegal materials such as chemicals, motor oil or antifreeze, paints, paint products and trash into the storm drain system. Even common activities such as rinsing driveways, draining pools and spas, or allowing construction waste to run down the gutter to the storm drain system can pollute our water.

The following questions and answers provide additional information about preventing water pollution.

Q. What can be put down the storm drain?

A. Never pour anything into a

gutter, street or storm drain. Local ordinances prohibit anything other than uncontaminated rain water from entering the storm drain system.

### Q. Yard clippings and leaves are natural, so they don't cause any problems, right?

A. Grass, leaves and yard clippings left on the street or swept into storm drains can clog the system and cause flooding, and may potentially provide a breeding ground for rodents and insects. Additionally, when grass and leaves decompose they encourage excessive growth of algae which can deprive fish of adequate oxygen.

### Q. What should I do if I see a neighbor, or someone else who is discharging polluted water into the storm drain system?

A. If a neighbor is allowing dirty water from driveway or sidewalk cleaning, or sudsy water from car washing into the gutter and storm drain, they may not understand that drain inlets connect directly to our creeks and Bay. If you have an amicable relationship with your neighbor, it may be just a matter of informing and making them aware. If the action persists, call (408) 730-7270 during normal business hours. An inspector will be dispatched to speak to the person and educate the individual about water pollution prevention.

Q. I see people dumping their used automotive fluids into storm drains all the time. What can I do?

A. Dumping fluids, oils or chemicals to the storm drain from a residential, business or construction area is illegal. Just one gallon of motor oil can pollute 250,000 gallons of water. To stop violations as quickly as possible, call (408) 730-7270 during normal business hours. After hours, call Public Safety Dispatch at (408) 736-6244. In an emergency, dial 911. Be prepared to report the address, the nearest cross street, and any other information you believe will help to locate the problem.

### Q. Is there a fine or penalty for illegal dumping?

A. Dumping trash, contaminants and other pollutants down storm drain inlets is illegal and is a violation of the Federal Clean Water Act of 1972, as well as the City of Sunnyvale's Stormwater Ordinance. Fines and penalties are based on type and amount of illegally discharged material. Each violation can be based on, but not limited to, a cost recovery fine and/or enforcement fine.

### Q. I have some toxic and corrosive products at home that need to be disposed of. Where can I take these?

A. Pesticides, flammable or combustible liquids, paints, household cleaning and pool products are accepted at the Household Hazardous Waste Dropoff events held monthly (except December) on the third Saturday at the Sunnyvale event site. For more information about the Household Hazardous Waste Program call (408) 730-7262. 🗘

## EARTH DAY CALENDAR

### **Earth Day Calendar**

### Earth Day Recycling Contest for Schools

March 17 – April 11 Sunnyvale elementary schools are invited to join in a contest to improve their recycling efforts and teach environmental stewardship.

### Sunnyvale Garage Sale Day

Saturday, April 19, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Register online (starting March 14) or find garage sale map online (April 16) at www.sunnyvalerecycles.org.

### Cloth Diapering for Your Child

Wednesday, April 23, 2 p.m. − 3 p.m. Sunnyvale Library Program Room 665 W. Olive Ave.

Diaper expert Sara Quast makes the art of diapering fun, easy and practical. Give your child a great start with modernized and ecofriendly cloth diapering.

### Green at Home - Making Your Home more Eco-friendly

Jennifer Roberts, designer and author, Good Green Kitchens, Redux and Good Green Homes

Wednesday, April 23, 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Sunnyvale Library Program Room 665 W. Olive Ave.

### Going Green Workshop for Businesses

April 25, Noon - 1 p.m. Palm, Inc. 950 W. Maude Ave.

Learn how your company can reduce its environmental impact and save money through waste reduction, pollution prevention, energyefficiency and water conservation. Santa Clara County Green Business Program staff and certified Green Businesses in Sunnyvale will be on hand to help you move your business forward.

### Community Input Session on Reducing Waste

*April 30, 7 p.m.* – 8:30 p.m. Sunnyvale Library, Program Rooms A and B 665 W. Olive Ave.

The City's Recycling/Solid Waste staff will be available to discuss Sunnyvale's programs and policies related to recycling and solid waste management and gather resident feedback.

### Other Workshops and Events

### Home Composting

Saturday, April 19 10 a.m. - noon Community Center 550 E. Remington Drive

### Birding Tour

Wednesday, April 23 Noon to 1 p.m. Sunnyvale Landfill Area Meet at Water Pollution Plant parking lot, 1444 Borregas Ave.

### Earth Day Celebration at Farmers' Market

Saturday, April 26 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Murphy Ave.

Visit booths, enjoy the music and learn about Earth care including solar energy, green cleaning, protecting our water, composting and much more.

For workshop details and a complete list of Earth Day events, see www.sunnyvalerecycles.org or contact the Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262, TDD at (408) 730-7501. 🗘

#### April 1 - June 30, 2008

Community Calendar also available online: Events.inSunnyvale.com

In addition to City-sponsored events, the Community Calendar includes non City-sponsored events. Events posted to this calendar do not necessarily imply endorsement by the City of Sunnyvale. The calendar serves as an informationonly resource for the community. All dates and times are subject to change.

## City Holiday May 26

City Offices Closed (in observance of Memorial Day)

### **City Meetings**

City Council: Meets most Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave. Arts Commission: Meets on the third

Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory** Commission (BPAC): Meets on the third Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Board of Building Code Appeals:** Meetings are held only when necessary. For more information call (408) 730-7444.

Board of Library Trustees: Meets on the first Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

Child Care Advisory Board: Meets on the fourth Tuesday of each quarter, 1 p.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Heritage Preservation Commission:** Meets on the first Wednesday of each month (as needed), 7 p.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**Housing and Human Services Commission:** Meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.

Parks and Recreation Commission: Meets on the second Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

Personnel Board: Meets on the third Monday of the month, 5 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

Planning Commission: Meets on the second and fourth Monday of the month, 8 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

### **Recurring Community Meetings and Events**

American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Monthly Meeting:

Meets the first Wednesday of the month, 1:30 p.m., Sunnyvale Senior Center, 550 E. Remington Drive. For more information contact Nellie Durand, (408) 296-3805.

Business Mixer: Evening networking events held at 5 p.m., every fourth Thursday of the month. For more information or to make a reservation, contact the Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce, (408) 736-4971.

Farmer's Market: Saturdays (rain or shine), 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., S. Murphy Ave. between Washington and Evelyn Avenues. For more information call (510) 745-7100 or visit www.urbanvillageonline. com/sunnyvale/index.html

### Fair Oaks Toastmasters:

Meets Sundays, 11:30 a.m., Fair Oaks West Club, 655 S. Fair Oaks Ave. For more information contact Hanh Chau, (408) 251-2521. bchau1@aol.com or visit www.geocities.com/fairoakstoastmasters

Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay: Meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m., Camino Medical Group Urgent Care Center; Conference Room #2 201 Old San Francisco Road. For more information contact Sally Twestens, Health Education Department, Camino Medical Group, (408) 523-3221 or Chris Saleh. Moderator/Founder, (408) 404-8479.

Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off: Drop-off at Sunnyvale Event Site (164 Carl Rd), 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., Held on the third Saturday of every month (except December). For more information call (408) 730-7262, TDD (408) 730-7501.

Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting: Meets Wednesdays, 7:20 a.m., Lookout Inn, 605 Macara Ave., (Sunnyvale Golf Course). For more information contact Bruce Carlson, (408) 774-0609 or bruce@carlsonfun.com.

Silicon Valley Toastmasters: Meets Wednesdays, 5 p.m., 260 S. Sunnyvale, Suite #4. Become a better speaker and leader. For more information, contact Sarah Newman at (866) 387-4086 or visit http://siliconvalley.freetoasthost.com

Wake-Up Sunnyvale: Monthly networking breakfasts held every second Thursday of the month at 7:30 a.m. For more information or to make a reservation please contact the Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce, (408) 736-4971.

### Neighborhood **Association Meetings**

Heritage District Neighborhood **Association Meetings:** Meets the first Friday of each month, 7 p.m., Murphy Park Building, 260 N. Sunnyvale

Ave. For more information, please call Tom Carrig, (408) 736-6147

Lakewood Village Neighborhood **Association Meetings:** Meets the second Thursday of each month, 7 p.m. (except December), Fairwood School or Lakewood School - please visit the Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association web site for locations at www.lvna.net. For more information, please email Michael Majchrowicz, president@lvna.net.

San Miguel Neighbors Association Meetings: Meets the second Monday of each month, 7 p.m., San Miguel School Teachers' Lounge, 777 San Miguel Ave. For more information, please call Tara Martin-Milius, (408) 733-5778 or taramil@sbcglobal.net.

**SNAIL (Sunnyvale Neighbors of** Arbor Including La Linda): Meets the first Thursday of each month, 7 p.m., Columbia Middle School Teacher's Lounge, 739 Morse Ave. For more information contact Jim Quaderer, (408) 737-9479.

### Classes and Programs

Compost Workshop, Sunnyvale Community Center Arboretum, 10 a.m. noon. Workshops are one Saturday per month with registration deadline the day before. For more information, call the Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262, TDD (408) 730-7501.

### **April 2008**

April 1

City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

April 2 - 27

Extra Curbside Pick up - Extra Garbage pickup on regularly scheduled pickup days. To schedule a large item pickup or for more information, call (408) 565-9900.

**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley** Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**American Association of Retired Persons** (AARP) Monthly Meeting, 1:30 p.m.

Silicon Valley Toastmasters, 5 p.m. Heritage Preservation

Commission Meeting, 7 p.m. April 3

**SNAIL Neighborhood Association** Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m.

April 4 Heritage District Neighborhood

Association Monthly Meeting, 7:30 p.m. April 5

Farmer's Market. 9 a.m.

California Theatre Center presents Hansel and Gretel, 11 a.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 245-2978 or visit www.ctcinc.org

**Evenings of Cultural Arts Presents** Craicmore, 8 p.m., Sunnyvale Community Center Theatre, 550 E. Remington Drive. For more information, or to purchase tickets, call (408) 733-6611.

April 5 - 6

Extra Dump Weekend, free for Sunnyvale residents: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. For more information call 408-730-7262 or www.sunnyvalerecycles.org

April 6

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

Board of Library Trustees Meeting, 7 p.m.

Sudoku Day at Sunnyvale Public

Library: Learn from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Tournament from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Competition is limited to teens from 6th to 12th grade, but everyone is welcome to come and cheer for their favorite Sudoku player. For more information on Library events, please call (408) 730-7300 or visit www.sunnyvalelibrary.org.

April 8 City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

April 9

**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley** Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

Silicon Valley Toastmasters, 5 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.

Lakewood Village Neighborhood

Association Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m. April 10

Wake-up Sunnyvale, 7:30 a.m. April 12 Great American Litter Pick-up,

8:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. Improve the environment by volunteering to help clean up litter and debris in Sunnyvale. To register, call Sunnyvale's Environmental Outreach Department at (408) 730-7717

or email wcpc@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us.

Farmer's Market, 9 a.m.

California Theatre Center presents Hansel and Gretel, 11 a.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 245-2978 or visit www.ctcinc.org.

Sunnyvale Community Players presents Fame, 8 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 733-6611 or visit www.sunnyvaleplayers.org

April 12 - 13

Extra Dump Weekend, free for Sunnyvale residents: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. For more information call (408) 730-7262 or www.sunnyvalerecycles.org

April 13

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

Sunnyvale Community Players presents Fame, 2:30 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 733-6611 or visit www.sunnyvaleplayers.org

April 14

San Miguel Neighbors Association General Meeting, 7 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting, 8 p.m.

April 15 No City Council Meeting – Spring Break

April 16 Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley

Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**Silicon Valley Toastmasters**, 5 p.m. Arts Commission Meeting, 7 p.m. **Housing and Human Services** 

Commission Meeting, 7 p.m. April 17

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

April 19

Citywide Garage Sale Day – For more information please call the Sunnyvale Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262 or recycling@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us .

Farmer's Market. 9 a.m.

California Theatre Center presents Fame, 8 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 245-2978 or visit www.ctcinc.org .

**Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off**, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Compost Workshop, 10 a.m.

April 20

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m. Sunnyvale Community Players presents Fame, 2:30 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 733-6611 or visit www.sunnyvaleplayers.org

April 21 Personnel Board Meeting, 5 p.m.

April 22 Earth Day

Child Care Advisory Board, 11:30 a.m.

City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

April 23

Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

Cloth Diapering, 2 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Presented by an experienced diaper mom, Sara Quast. Make the art of diapering fun, easy and practical. For more information on Library events, please call (408) 730-7300 or visit www.sunnyvalelibrary.org.

Silicon Valley Toastmasters, 5 p.m. Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay, 6:30 p.m.

Eco-Friendly Homes, 7 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Presented by author, designer Jennifer Roberts. Hear about easy and not-so-easy ways to make your home eco-friendly. For more information on Library events, please call (408) 730-7300 or visit www.sunnyvalelibrary.org.

April 24

April 26

Farmer's Market. 9 a.m.

First Annual Sunnyvale Public Safety **Open House:** 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., 700 All America Way. A fun and free event for all: police and fire demos, fire engine and patrol car rides, interactive booths and tours. For more information, contact the Crime Prevention Unit at (408) 730-7140.

California Theatre Center presents The Emperor and the Nightingale, 11 a.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 245-2978 or visit www.ctcinc.org

California Theatre Center presents Fame, 8 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call

(408) 245-2978 or visit www.ctcinc.org. April 27

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

Sunnyvale Community Players presents Fame, 2:30 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 733-6611 or visit www.sunnyvaleplayers.org.

April 28 Planning Commission Meeting, 8 p.m. April 29

City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m. Silicon Valley Toastmasters, 5 p.m.

### May

**SNAIL Neighborhood Association** Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m.

May 2

Heritage District Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Farmer's Market. 9 a.m.

California Theatre Center presents  $\mathit{The}$ Emperor and the Nightingale, 11 a.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 245-2978 or visit www.ctcinc.org.

California Theatre Center presents Fame, 8 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408)

245-2978 or visit www.ctcinc.org.

May 4

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

Sunnyvale Community Players presents Fame, 2:30 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 733-6611 or visit www.sunnyvaleplayers.org

May 5 Board of Library Trustees Meeting, 7 p.m. May 6

City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley

Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m. **American Association of Retired Persons** 

(AARP) Monthly Meeting, 1:30 p.m. Silicon Valley Toastmasters, 5 p.m. Heritage Preservation

Commission Meeting, 7 p.m. May 8

Wake-Up Sunnyvale, 7:30 a.m.

May 10

Farmer's Market. 9 a.m. Sunnyvale Health & Safety Fair.

11 a.m., Columbia Neighborhood Center, 785 Morse Ave. For more information contact Karen Rivers at (408) 523-8150 x 19 or visit HealthandSafetyFair.inSunnyvale.com.

May 11

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

May 12

San Miguel Neighbors Association General Meeting, 7 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting, 8 p.m.

May 13

City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

May 14

**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley** Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m. Silicon Valley Toastmasters, 5 p.m.

Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m. Parks and Recreation

Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Life and the Story Art Lecture, 7:30 p.m., Sunnyvale Theatre, 550 E. Remington Drive, Sunnyvale 94087. Institute for the Study of Western Civilization. Tickets are sold as a series, call for availability at (408) 864-4060.

**Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off**, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. Farmer's Market. 9 a.m.

National River Clean Up Day, 8:30 a.m. -11 a.m. Registration will be at Sunnyvale Baylands Park, 999 Caribbean Drive. Litter pick up will occur at the Sunnyvale East Channel. For more information contact Kristy McCumby at (408) 730-7274.

Compost Workshop, 10 a.m.

Hands On The Arts, 10 a.m., Sunnyvale Community Center, 550 Remington Drive -Approximately 35 visual and performing artists will conduct hands-on workshops for school-age and preschool-age children. For more information call (408) 730-7350.

May 18 Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

May 19 Personnel Board Meeting, 5 p.m. **Future Business Leaders Showcase**,

5 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Homestead High School Future Business Leaders of America members will present their nationally-recognized annual projects.. For more information on Library events, please call (408) 730-7300 or visit www.sunnyvalelibrary.org.

May 20

**No City Council Meeting** 

May 21

Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m. Silicon Valley Toastmasters, 5 p.m. Arts Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.

May 22 Business Mixer, 5 p.m.

May 23

City Council Budget Workshop, 8 a.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

May 24

Farmer's Market. 9 a.m.

May 25

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

May 26

**City Offices Closed** (in observance of Memorial Day)

May 27

No City Council Meeting

May 28

Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

Silicon Valley Toastmasters, 5 p.m.

Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay, 6:30 p.m.

**Housing and Human Services** Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.

"For Your Health" - Community Lecture, Mother's Day Special, *Matters of the Heart* - Presented by Jane Lombard, MD, 7 p.m., Sunnyvale City Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave. Reservations are recommended as seating is limited. To reserve your spot call (408) 523-3295 or visit http://www.caminomedical.org/ healtheducation/classes/lectures/register.cfm.

Community Forum on a Branch Library, 6:30 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. At their budget and study session in January 2008, Council voted to study the question: Should the City of Sunnyvale operate a branch library? And if so, where should it be located? Learn about the branch library question and discuss with others in this community forum. For more information on Library events, please call (408) 730-7300 or visit www.sunnyvalelibrary.org.

May 30 Planning Commission Meeting, 8 p.m. May 31

Farmer's Market. 9 a.m.

### **June**

June 1

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

Board of Library Trustees Meeting, 7 p.m. June 3

City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

June 4

Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Monthly Meeting**,1:30 p.m. Silicon Valley Toastmasters, 5 p.m.

**Heritage Preservation** Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.

**SNAIL Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting**, 7 p.m.

June 6

Heritage District Neighborhood

**Association Monthly Meeting**, 7:30 p.m.

Farmer's Market. 9 a.m. June 7 and 8

Sunnyvale Art and Wine festival,

10 a.m., Downtown Sunnyvale For more information contact Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce, (408) 736-4971, www.svcoc.org

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

Sunnvale Art Club Exhibition. noon – 6 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. The work of over 30 artists will be on display in a variety of media including oils, acrylics, watercolors and mixed media. The event is free and everyone is welcome. For more information on Library events, please call (408) 730-7300 or visit www.sunnyvalelibrary.org.

June 9

San Miguel Neighbors Association General Meeting, 7 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting, 8 p.m. June 10

City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

NASA's Phoenix/Messenger Update, 7 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Eric Norris, NASA/JPL Solar System Ambassador, will present the latest information on NASA's Phoenix Mission to Mars and Messenger's recent flyby of Mercury, along with new information on other NASA interplanetary explorers. For more information on Library events, please call (408) 730-7300

or visit www.sunnyvalelibrary.org. June 11 Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m. Silicon Valley Toastmasters, 5 p.m. Parks and Recreation

Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.

Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m.

Wake-Up Sunnyvale, 7:30 a.m.

June 14

Farmer's Market. 9 a.m.

June 15

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

June 16

Personnel Board Meeting, 5 p.m.

June 17

**No City Council Meeting** June 18

Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley

Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m. Silicon Valley Toastmasters, 5 p.m.

Arts Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BPAC) Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

June 21 Household Hazardous Waste

**Drop-Off**, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Farmer's Market. 9 a.m. Loss, Trauma and Young Children, 9 a.m. -2:30 p.m. The Youth, Family and Child Care Resources Program, in collaboration with UC Davis Extension, are offering this free class to child care providers. Space is limited. For location of classes and to register, contact Monica Guerra at (408) 523-8150, ext. 22.

Compost Workshop, 10 a.m.

June 22

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

June 23

Planning Commission Meeting, 8 p.m. June 24

City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

June 25 Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley

Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**Silicon Valley Toastmasters**, 5 p.m. Glaucoma Support Group Of

The South Bay, 6:30 p.m. **Housing and Human Services** 

Commission Meeting, 7 p.m. June 26

Business Mixer, 5 p.m.

June 28 Farmer's Market. 9 a.m.

Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

### **Ongoing Events**

Fun On The Run

City of Sunnyvale's Mobile Activities Program For more information, please contact Angelique Wilson at (408) 730-7520  $or \ awilson@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us$ 

### **Sunnyvale Family Child Care**

**Network Provider Meetings** A group of family child care providers who meet on the second Tuesday of each month for support, networking and education. For more information, call Manijeh Khazeni, (408) 736-6310.

### **SNAP** (Sunnyvale Neighborhoods **Actively Prepare) Program**

The Sunnyvale Office of Emergency Services works with our citizens to prepare them for catastrophic emergencies such as fires, earthquakes or other natural and manmade disasters that can be applied in the home, school, neighborhood or wherever needed in Sunnyvale. A new schedule of classes is coming in the fall. For more information call Cherel Sampson, (408)

### 730-7190 or SNAP@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us

**Water Pollution Plant Tours** Sign up for a tour of the Sunnyvale's Water Pollution Control Plant. To schedule a tour

### or for more information call (408) 730-7717.

**SMaRT Station® Tours** See how garbage and recyclable materials from Mountain View, Palo Alto and Sunnyvale are processed and sorted for recycling at the Sunnyvale Materials Recovery and Transfer Station. Tours are available by appointment and are appropriate for persons 8 years of age and older. To schedule a tour or for more information call (408) 752-8530 or www.sunnyvalerecycles.org.

**SMaRT Birding Tours** The City has collaborated with the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society to offer free one-hour bird-watching tours at Sunnyvale's closed landfill. Interested parties should meet at noon on the first Wednesday of the month at 1444 Borregas Ave., north of Caribbean Drive, in Sunnyvale. For additional information, please call Silviana Ruiz, (408) 730-7545 or sruiz@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us.

### **Community Calendar Online**

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